# Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention WIC Nutrition Program

Effective: October 1, 2011 Policy No. FM-12

#### **Indirect Costs**

## **Authority**

7 CFR §246.4(a)(12) OMB Circular A-87 OMB Circular A-122

## **Policy**

- 1. The State Agency documents and monitors indirect cost rates and services at the state and local levels.
- 2. The State Agency must ensure that local agency services received and paid for through indirect cost allocation are not also charged directly to the WIC Program.
- 3. The State Agency's indirect cost rate is based on:
  - 3.1 Salaries
  - 3.2 Direct costs for administration
  - 3.3 The State of Maine's approved cost allocation plan

#### **Procedures**

- 1. The State Agency receives the following types of services under the indirect cost rate agreement:
  - 1.1. Budgeting/accounting
  - 1.2. Personnel/payroll
  - 1.3. Procurement/contracting
- 2. The State Agency allows Local Agencies to report indirect costs.
  - 2.1 Local Agencies may negotiate an indirect-cost rate with a Federal Cognizant Agency. A copy must be submitted annually during the contract renewal process.
  - 2.2 If there is no negotiated rate, indirect costs must be documented and allocated reasonably.
- 3. When the State Agency reviews the Local Agencies' indirect cost rate agreements, the review includes:

- 3.1 Required submission of indirect cost agreement (annually, with contract renewal)
- 3.2 Assessment of how the rate or method is applied (correct time period, percentage, and base)
- 4. The State Agency verifies during the biannual Management Evaluation Review that indirect charges are not a duplicate of direct charges by comparing line item detail to the cost allocation plan.

Financial Management (FM) FM-12 Indirect Costs Revised: 10/25/2011